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BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

First Sabbath in November.

Time for Annual Collection.

We remind our readers that the First Sabbath in November is the time appointed by the General Assembly for taking up the Annual Collection for the Board of Domestic Missions.

The receipts of the Board have as usual been very light during the last five or six months, and the payments which must be made before the end of November will very nearly if not quite amount to as much as is at present in the Treasury.

Since the first of March last, we have made *more than one hundred new appointments*, which will, of course, greatly increase the liabilities of the Board.

Availing ourselves of the opportunities afforded by the opening of various railroads in the far West, we are establishing new missions at important points which will be, for some time to come, *very expensive*.

Presbyteries from almost every part of the land are urgently calling for missionaries to occupy promising fields.

There is moreover a very general expectation and desire, in view of the prospective reunion of the two main branches of the Presbyterian Church, that the Board should devise and execute more liberal things than heretofore—that the Church should be more rapidly and largely extended.

In view of these things, the Board has already greatly enlarged its operations, and is earnestly desirous of undertaking and accomplishing much more. In order, however, to enable the Board to meet its already augmented liabilities and the wants and expectations of the Church, it is absolutely indispensable that its receipts should be largely increased. We trust that every pastor will present the claims of the Board fully and earnestly to his people, and exert all his influence to induce them to contribute promptly and liberally. We hope that every church will do what it can for this great cause; that not a single church member will fail to give according to his ability.

If all will do their duty faithfully, what a glorious future awaits the United Church; but if through our remissness and want of liberality, we should fail to improve the opportunities which God is so graciously affording us, what a sin and reproach it would be. Let us, by the grace of God, realize our augmented respon-

sibilities and enlarged privileges, and endeavour to the utmost of our ability to advance the interests of Christ's kingdom. Let the watchword be onward, onward for the glory of Christ, and the speedy evangelization of our land.

A Leaf in the Experience of a Missionary.

A pleasant ride of a few miles upon the railroad and we came to the village, where he was to branch off into the country. There was a circus in the village, and all the hotels were full. Asking for a bed at the hotel, the information was given that they would have to put three and four in a bed that night. Not enjoying the prospect, especially on a sweltering summer night, the missionary wandered around the village until, hearing of a Methodist family, he went and asked the privilege of sleeping on their parlor carpet or lounge.

The next morning a team came in to take him out to his appointment, twenty-one miles distant. The young man who came with the team apologized frequently because he had nothing better for the minister to ride in than a lumber wagon. About half way to their destination they came to a ferry. The ferryboat was on the opposite side, and the ferryman gone to dinner. In this emergency, the young men drew lots, as to who should swim across and bring the boat over. Passing through fields of wheat and corn without a fence, over breakings, and across beautiful rolling prairies, with here and there a "dug out," "sod-house," or "shanty," they drew near their destination about sundown. Passing over a knoll, and coming in sight of the house in the valley beyond, an old man was seen walking up and down, evidently anxiously looking for the return of the team with the minister. Upon arriving at the house, the family were all found dressed in their "Sunday clothes." The work had all been finished up and put away, that they might have time to enjoy to the utmost the presence and conversation of God's servant.

The aged mother, meeting the missionary at the door, welcomed him with streaming eyes, declaring that she had not slept the previous night, she was so excited for joy at the prospect of again beholding a Presbyterian minister. During the evening two or three of the neighbours came over a mile or two to see if he had come.

Sabbath morning dawned with a cloudless sky. About nine o'clock some teams commenced coming in, to enquire where the meeting was to be held. As the settlement was too new for either church or school-house, the services were to be held in a private house, four miles further on. Upon arriving at the place, which was a rough board shanty, perhaps twenty feet square, the interior without plastering or ceiling, was all in one room. For warmth, newspapers, religious, political, and pictorial were pasted over the walls, while iron and tin were hung conveniently around the stove.

A large blanket shawl hanging from the floor joist above, partitioned off one corner for a dressing-room, where the lady of the house was finishing her toilet, while the audience were gathering. Toilet completed, she came out, took down the shawl, and made it into a cushion for a rough board which had been placed over three chairs for a seat.

The people gathered from far and near. A lumber wagon with thirteen in—A man and wife on horseback—She, with simply a loose blanket thrown over her horse, rode with an ease and grace that would certainly have taken the premium at an Eastern fair. Then came a man dressed in a black broadcloth suit, and silk hat, walking and driving four oxen. Perched upon a board across the box of a

lumber wagon was his wife and child. And thus they came. More seats were needed. The table was carried out to make room, and more boards and wagon seats brought in and speedily filled, until sixty were crowded into that house.

Earnest attention to the sermon—a quickened interest as a few were banded together, a branch of the visible church of Christ, culminating in the solemn ordination and installation of the elder elect—made it a season never to be forgotten by those who were present.

Returning, three of the teams became lost upon the prairies, and for a time could not find their way home; so new was the country.

Monday morning before daybreak the missionary was on his way rejoicing at the privilege of bearing gospel consolations to those scattered members of Christ's fold.

In addition to stopping the breaking team for two days in getting the minister to and from the railroad, they tried to raise him twenty dollars in money. They paid him ten dollars. Upon his saying it was perhaps more than they ought to do in their circumstances, they replied, "No! No! It would be a disgrace and reproach to their new church, if they had not done this much. They only regretted their inability to do more."

Shall this settlement and others similarly situated, be deprived of the gospel because of their inability to sustain the minister?

They must, unless the Church in more favoured regions will enable the Board of Domestic Missions to send out and sustain suitable men.

Bethlehem Mission.

Dear Brother,—Since the meeting of organization, twelve members have been added, thus increasing our communicant membership to twenty-one. The number of attendants at our Sabbath services average about fifty. A number of these will unite with us at our next communion.

But the most encouraging signs of success are the Sunday-school, and the attendance and interest at the weekly lectures and prayer-meetings.

Toward the close of the month of April we commenced our school with eighteen scholars. We endeavoured so to impress these few that they all felt that the success of the school depended greatly upon them individually—upon their prayers and their labours. In consequence, they went to work with a will, labouring faithfully during the week, and on Sabbath afternoon bringing in their fruits; some introducing eight and ten new scholars at a time. During the past few weeks the *attendance* of scholars has been seventy-five; the number enrolled is, of course, considerably greater, but we prefer to count only the *regular attendance* from Sunday to Sunday. We have at present nine teachers, who endeavour to discharge their duties faithfully and conscientiously.

Concerning our weekly lectures and prayer-meetings, I would simply say, that the number in every case, save one, has exceeded our communicant membership. We have no cause to complain of the usual flagging of interest in these meetings during the heat of summer. All who come, appear thoroughly to enjoy these week-day gatherings, and we feel sure that God is making them instrumental in the production of much good, and in the building up of our church.

Our people are at present actively employed in collecting funds for the purchase of a lot, whereon we propose to erect, before winter sets in, a small, but neat temporary church building. For the present we assemble in the third story of the public school building in S— B—. The place, as you may readily conjecture, is not favourable to the work—difficult and highly disagreeable of access, it is

quite surprising that so many have surmounted all obstacles and regularly attended the services. On each alternate Sabbath we have one service in the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association in B——. We may safely state, that once we are enabled to meet in a convenient house of our own, the cause will progress far more rapidly.

Concerning the state of religion among our little number, we can speak favourably thus far. The smallness of our number is in fact rather an *advantage*, since all can be more frequently reached in the discharge of pastoral duties; and then, each stirs up his brother to works of love; each singly feels that the responsibility rests upon a very few, and that *all* must bear a share of the burden, if we desire to entertain any hope of success. Thus our work for Jesus binds us together, and our faith in his word leads us to have *full* confidence, that in his sight, the day of small things will *not* be despised; that he will, *by his own power*, bring strength out of weakness. We are confident that he will strengthen us: yea, he will help us; yea, he will uphold us with the right hand of his righteousness. (Isaiah xli. 10.)

The field in which I labour is of very considerable extent; a large part of the community as yet attend no church, and give little or no heed to the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. Without, therefore, interfering with our sister churches, we may, with God's blessing, reap a rich harvest, if we but prove faithful to him and to his word.

Fraternally yours, J. A. R.

RECEIPTS FOR DOMESTIC MISSIONS IN SEPTEMBER, 1869.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Charlton ch. from the Ladies' Domestic Miss'y Soc'y 16; Rockwell's Falls ch 13 50; Corinth ch 2 30. *Pby of Troy*—Stillwater 1st ch 37 60 \$69 40

SYNOD OF ALLEGHENY.—*Pby of Erie*—Petroleum Centre ch 63 00

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Carlisle*—Hagers-town ch 37 25

SYNOD OF BUFFALO.—*Pby of Buffalo City*—Central ch, Buffalo 115 00

SYNOD OF CHICAGO.—*Pby of Chicago*—Morris 1st ch, of which 8 15 from the Sab-sch 40. *Pby of Rock River*—Hanover ch 6 30 46 30

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Chillicothe*—Greenfield 2d ch 15; Mission field of Rev S J Miller 10; Palace Hill ch 3 50; Waterloo ch 110 138 50

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS.—*Pby of Peoria*—Princeville ch 27 10

SYNOD OF IOWA.—*Pby of Cedar*—Princeton ch 4; Mt Union ch 4 8 00

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—Burlington ch, from J. M. Preston 30. *Pby of West Lexington*—Hopewell ch 20 50 00

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of Lafayette*—Smithton ch 3 50; Otterville ch 5 10. *Pby of St Louis*—Salem Ger ch 10. *Pby of Southwest Missouri*—Carthage ch 8 26 60

SYNOD OF NASHVILLE.—*Pby of Holston*—Pleasant Forest and Ebenezer chs 10 00

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Luzerne*—Archibald German ch 3 50. *Pby of Newton*—Stillwater ch 30. *Pby of Susquehanna*—Terrytown ch 5; Rome ch 3 50 42 00

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Connecticut*—Red Mills ch 40, of which 20 from the Sab-sch. *Pby of Hudson*—Scotchtown ch 106 42. *Pby of New York*—Palisades ch 102 56; Chelsea ch, add'l 13 53 262 51

SYNOD OF OHIO.—*Pby of Columbus*—Circleville ch 60 95. *Pby of Zanesville*—Muskingum ch 15 75 95

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of California*—Santa Barbara ch 10. *Pby of Stockton*—Visalia ch 7 17 00

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Donegal*—Little Britain ch 26. *Pby of Northumberland*—Jersey Shore ch 42; Orangeville ch 8 57; Hamilton ch 2; Rohrsburg ch 4 43 83 00

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Blairsville*—Congruity ch 40 25. *Pby of Clarion*—Pisgah ch 22; Licking ch 26 60. *Pby of Ohio*—Cauonsburg ch

23; Centre ch 69. *Pby of Redstone*—Uniontown ch 119 25 309 10

SYNOD OF SANDUSKY.—*Pby of Maumee*—Mt Salem ch 10 00

SYNOD OF WHEELING.—*Pby of Steubenville*—Richmond ch 10. *Pby of Washington*—Washington 1st ch 99 36; West Alexander ch 134 45; Wheeling 1st ch 36; Frankfort Springs ch 9; Hookstown ch 31 319 81

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Dane*—Rockville ch 6; Hurricane ch 1 50. *Pby of Winnelago*—Stockbridge (Indian) ch 3 50 11 00

Total received from churches, \$1,712 52

LEGACIES.—Legacy of James Black, dec'd, late of Hopedale, Ohio 94; Legacy of James McVicker, dec'd, late of Montour Co, Pa 90; Legacy of Miss Mary Davis, dec'd, late of Chester Co, Pa 100. less taxes 7 = 93; Estate of James Fleming, dec'd, late of Mercer, Pa 89 \$356 03

MISCELLANEOUS.—"U P," Sterling, Ill 400; W H H Nivling, Olivia, Blair Co, Pa 105; John Robinson, Wayne Co, Ill 1; "Theological Student," Princeton, N J 5; Mrs Mary E Brown, Valparaiso, Ind 10; Wm Dodd, Low Point, Ill 7; "A Friend," Stamford, Conn 10 538 00

Total Receipts in September, 1869, \$2,616 52

CLOTHING.

1 box from the Ladies' Society of Westfield ch. N J, valued at \$225 00

1 package stockings from a lady in Camden, N J, value not stated.

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LETTERS relating to Missionary Appointments and other operations of the Board, should be addressed to the Corresponding Secretary, No. 907 Arch street, Philadelphia. Letters relating to the pecuniary affairs of the Board, or containing remittances of money, should be sent to S. D. POWEL, Esq., Treasurer—same address.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

THE HARVEST TRULY IS PLENTY, BUT THE LABOURERS ARE FEW; PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH LABOURERS INTO HIS HARVEST.—Matt. ix. 37, 38.

Correspondence of the Secretary.

The University—Humble Beginnings—Rapid Progress.

SAN FRANCISCO, October, 1869.

The most interesting item that can be furnished to the *Record* from the Pacific coast is a notice of the University under the care of the Presbyterian Church in San Francisco. The Rev. Dr. Geo. Burrowes came out in 1859, being aided by the Board of Education. The beginning was humble enough, but that faithful Christian worker was determined that nothing should be left undone to obtain success, which diligence and patience could accomplish. The enterprise was commenced in a gloomy room in the basement of Calvary Church. With all the efforts that had been made by himself and the pastor, Dr. Scott, but four boys were present, one of them not yet six years of age. There was no property for a school, not even desks and other necessary fixtures, till fifty dollars were raised among gentlemen in Calvary Church to buy six old scarred desks and a black-board. The doctor used at prayers, for months, an old Bible which had been thrown aside as useless, in consequence of being damaged with dampness, and having lost its cover, one of a lot that had been sent to the Bible Society. When the school adjourned for the Christmas holidays, there were only eight pupils after seven weeks' effort. But the reputation of the school soon began to rise. At the close of the first session, in April, it had twenty-four pupils. And the examination then gave it at once a fixed standing. Governor Haight, and other leading gentlemen, were present, and determined to put the institution upon a good foundation. The sum of ten thousand dollars was obtained by subscription. A lot, one hundred and thirty-seven and a half feet square, well situated on the corner of Stockton and Geary streets, was bought. It was then a mere sandhill, and enough of the sand was removed to make room for the original building, which was forty by sixty feet and two stories high, containing one large study hall, accommodating about eighty single desks, with six recitation rooms on the second story. These rooms were all furnished with suitable fixtures of the best kind. The school entered the new building in February, 1861. The increase of students required additions to be made to this edifice during the next two years. The entire building there, as it now stands, is a neat, beautiful structure, forty by one hundred and twenty-eight feet, two stories high, painted and sanded to resemble brown stone. There are two large halls for study, "Senior" and "Junior" Halls, capable of accommodating one hundred and eighty students; ten recitation rooms; a philosophical hall, forty feet square, with furnace and fine apparatus; Kiepert's mural maps of ancient classical geography; and a neat observatory rising from the roof for the telescope. All the rooms have appropriate furniture of the best kind, and in the various rooms there are two hundred and forty feet in length of black-board four feet wide, in plaster on the wall. There is also a separate laboratory of brick, for teaching assaying and analytical chemistry.

The basis of this success may be found in the constant effort to "please God" which governed the labours of the principal and his assistants. From the very first, the Bible was honoured, not only by daily reading, but by being kept on the table

all the day in view of the students. After the enlargement of the buildings, there was a copy of the Bible kept lying on the principal's table in each hall, and in the chapel; and under no circumstances were those three volumes removed from their places during the hours the students were in session, and many a prayer was offered for guidance and help within its walls, and that God would grant his Spirit for the conversion of the youth to him.

The Way to Success.

A new step in the advance of the institution will show to friends of education, in other parts of our country, the results of applying to the cause of the Lord, something of that enterprise which animates men of the world in their pursuits. The Hon. H. H. Haight, now Governor of the State, in looking about for means to advance its interests, directed his attention to the lands in the neighbourhood of the city, which were rising rapidly, with its growth, into value. In 1863 he made an arrangement by which a gentleman owning a large tract of land about five miles south of the centre of the city, within easy reach by street cars, wishing to enhance its value in the market, agreed with the trustees of the University that if they would secure the sale of two hundred and fifty lots, each one hundred by one hundred and twenty feet, at two hundred and fifty dollars each, on the payment to them of one-half the sum, viz., \$31,250, they would give deeds to the individual purchasers, and also give the trustees a deed for twenty-five acres in one body for educational purposes, and would turn over to said trustees the other half of that sum, viz., \$31,250, to be used in the erection of college buildings on the grounds. This fine property has been secured after much effort by the friends of the Institution; the handsome sum mentioned paid over to the trustees, and a building containing over thirty rooms erected on what is known as "University Mound," at a cost of twenty thousand dollars, to which future additions will be made.

"University Mound."

The site of the new building is a very beautiful one, looking eastward over the Bay of San Francisco, whose blue waters are whitened by many vessels, and over the neighbouring shore, with their dwellings, factories, and cultivated plots. An act of incorporation has been obtained. The title is not, as at first, in the Synod, but in a Board of Trustees, who are a close corporation. The act of incorporation requires that two-thirds of this Board shall be Presbyterians; and that if any other form of doctrine or worship is ever introduced into the college or university, the charter will be thereby annulled. The real estate now owned by the Board has become very valuable, and must continue to increase in value. Their property is now worth \$200,000 beyond any liabilities.

The University buildings in the suburbs will be devoted to instruction in the higher branches, and perhaps to theological classes. Students will reside on the grounds. Dr. Burrows, who has returned after an absence of four years on account of health, will take the initiatory steps towards its development. The buildings in the city contain classes under the efficient care of the Rev. P. V. Veeder, with a corps of competent assistants.

Department in the City.

The numbers in attendance upon the classes in the department in the city has been about a hundred and sixty. Of these fifty are connected with the primary department. Students have been carried through the whole collegiate course.

The most interesting feature of this youthful institution is, that to San Francisco must be gathered representatives from all the nations which feel the influences of American institutions which stream forth hence. I saw among the faces in the

several classes a number that betokened European origin. The gold of California draws many from every part of that continent, and it has enriched many who have returned thither to reside, liberalized in sentiment, and possessing new powers to affect their fellow-countrymen.

Asiatic Students.

Yet the eye rests upon none with so much wonder and gratification in these forms, and in the seats of some of our Sabbath-schools, as upon the strangers from across the broad Pacific. Here is a remarkably gentlemanly young man from a city in the north of China, on the banks of the great Yangsz-Kiang river. He does not speak the dialect of the south, which are on the tongues of the other Chinese in this State. He is the son of an officer of the Imperial army, who was killed during the rebellion. The family fled. He found his way to Shanghai; thence to South America, France, England, and at length back here on his way homeward. He speaks our language well; reads and commits to memory large portions of the scriptures, and wishes to pursue English studies to fit himself for some post of usefulness in his native country. In other rooms you see faces, some of which are even further removed from our ideas of beauty than the Chinese, though they possess more vivacity and love of fun. These are Japanese. There have been fifteen of them in the college at various times. Some of them are refugees, connected with families of high rank which had espoused the side of the Tycoon in the civil war which was lately decided against him; and who here may acquire knowledge which will commend them to the favour of the new ruler of their country. Some of the young men who have studied here have returned to Japan. The fate of one of them was very sad. He was put in command of a vessel which in battle he was forced to abandon. As a penalty—it is thought by his friends undeserved—he was “permitted” to commit suicide by the *hari-kari*. Before leaving America he had expressed himself as in theory a Christian. The name Japan is one which we obtained from the Chinese. It means “the rising of the sun,” the land toward the east from China. The presence of these students commences the fulfilment of many a precious promise of God; “For from the rising of the sun even unto the going down of the same, my name shall be great among the Gentiles.” How important the work of Christian education upon the shores where the extremes meet, and where the scenes of holy triumph in coming days, not remote we trust, will be glorious beyond what the Church has yet seen.

Other Schools for the Chinese.

The Rev. A. W. Loomis occupies the mission house built in connection with my missionary labours here. He maintains, with much devotedness and success, the work of preaching and teaching in the Chinese language. A school, held each evening in the week, gathers in a large room full of young men and boys. He is assisted by two American teachers. The exercises are occasionally varied by a lecture on astronomy, geography, &c. The school does much good, and is an important aid in drawing out the Chinese to the religious meetings. The Chinese schools, &c., are visited with great interest by the strangers coming here upon the Pacific Railroad, who generally leave them with favourable impressions of the intelligence, docility, and industry of the pupils.

A Noble Testimony.

A brother in the ministry, who owes his position in the Church to the assistance which this Board gave him in obtaining an education, and who has in a far South-

western State been labouring diligently for a Master who richly recompensed his toils, has furnished some account of them, from which the following extracts are made:—

“By invitation I took charge of a church as stated supply for one year. During that year there was much religious interest in that county, and there were added to the A—— church over sixty persons by profession.

“I was encouraged by the large accessions to the church during my stay, as also by the interest of Bible and catechetical classes as shown in the attendance of the youth and children upon them.

“For a while I assisted a couple of lads in their studies, who came to my room daily for recitation. A young brother, a candidate for the ministry, by the advice of Presbytery, was under my instruction for a while previous to attending the seminary. His attention during the time was mainly given to Hebrew.

“In my present field I preach in the afternoon of each Sabbath, when the days are sufficiently long, to large and attentive congregations of coloured people. There have been added to the churches where I have had charge, during my stay with them, near two hundred persons by profession and over sixty by letter.”

The Student become Missionary.

A student whom the Church assisted, through the Board of Education, to qualify himself to be a herald of salvation, was not satisfied to sound the glad tidings in these old streets, but went forth where men had never heard them, but where the despotism of hell is most strong and most terrible. He bears testimony that the Lord is with him to make him strong, and to be gracious to him. He writes thus from a field in Southern Asia:—

“I have had good success in learning the language of this people. I began to preach in one year and a half after arriving. The most of my time has been spent in the study of the language. I have not yet seen much fruit; but have great encouragement to persevere. The Lord has been very gracious to us thus far. He has heard and answered our prayers; and why should we not continue to trust in him. This field is one full of encouragement. The people are anxious to receive books; and to listen to preaching; and the Spirit can open their minds to receive the truth.”

RECEIPTS AT PHILADELPHIA IN SEPTEMBER, 1869.

I. FUND FOR CANDIDATES.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Little Falls ch	\$40 40	<i>Pby of Philadelphia Central</i> —Spring Garden ch	
<i>Pby of Beaver</i> —Beaver Falls ch	36 70	Sab-sch	11 96
<i>Pby of Blairsville</i> —Murraysville ch	20 15	<i>Pby of Raducah</i> —Princeton ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Mechanicsburg ch	21 10	<i>Pby of Redstone</i> —Rehoboth ch	36 25
<i>Pby of Chlicotho</i> —First ch Chaillicotho	25 25	<i>Pby of Saltsburg</i> —Bethel and Jacksonville ch	15 00
<i>Pby of Dane</i> —Rockville ch	6 00	<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —West Liberty ch	5 80
<i>Pby of Donegal</i> —Marietta ch 29 10; Chanceford	54 10	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Salem Ger ch	17 87
ch 25	120 00	<i>Pby of Susquehanna</i> —Rome ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Plainfield 1st ch 20; Eliza-	8 20	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Steubenville 2d ch 57; Ridze	65 00
beth ch, by Mrs R L Smyth, 100	78 16	ch 8	
<i>Pby of Fairfield</i> —Troy ch	3 00	<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Cross Creek ch	27 50
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Lower Tuscarora ch	18 00		\$789 30
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Bethlehem ch	3 15		
<i>Pby of Lafayette</i> —Lexington 1st ch	62 00		
<i>Pby of Madison</i> —Graham ch	30 00		
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —Beloit 1st ch	7 00		
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Stillwater ch	20 71		
<i>Pby of New York</i> —Nyack 1st ch	25 75		
<i>Pby of New Lisbon</i> —Yellow Creek ch 6 50; Salem	8 25		
ch 14 21			
<i>Pby of Ohio</i> —Mt Washington ch 6; Pittsburgh			
4th ch 19 75			
<i>Pby of Oxford</i> —New Paris ch 4 25; Camden ch			
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MISCELLANEOUS.

John Robinson, Wayne Co, Ill 1; S B E, Phila 5;
Rev P Hassinger, Aviston, Ill 45; Interest in
part, John Means' estate, Allegheny Co, Pa
233 289 00

Total amount acknowledged, \$1,078 30

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BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Recent Intelligence.

ADMITTED TO THE CHURCH.—Two more Laos have been baptized at Chiengmai; at Murree, India, one was received to the church in August; and in the same month, four were received at Brotas.

DEPARTURE OF MISSIONARIES.—Rev. George S. Bergen, who had been at home on a short visit, sailed with his wife, from New York, Sept. 25th, for India. Rev. Leighton W. Eckard and wife embarked at San Francisco, Oct. 4th, for China. Mr. Eckard is a graduate of the Theological Seminary at Princeton, and was ordained as an Evangelist by the Second Presbytery of Philadelphia. He will be stationed in the Shantung Mission. Mr. Eckard is a son of Rev. J. R. Eckard, D.D., of La Fayette College, Easton, Pa.

ARRIVALS.—Rev. C. Carothers and wife arrived at their station at Yokohama, July 27th. Rev. Augustus Brodhead of Allahabad and Miss Catharine L. Beatty of Dehra, India, arrived at New York, Sept. 8th. Miss Beatty's health is still feeble. She leaves the mission field with great regret, and her loss to the cause is equally regretted by her fellow-labourers and her pupils. Her earnest devotion to her work and her self-denial in it will be long remembered by those whom she guided and instructed.

DEATHS IN INDIA.—It is with pain we report to the churches the removal from earth of two missionaries. Miss Emma Walsh left this country last year with her mother and sister for Allahabad, and reached that city in November. She was just ready to begin work in the school when she was called away. She had not been very well for some little time, but no fears were excited until a few hours before her death; when she became delirious and died, August 15th. On the next day, Rev. Alexander Henry was called to his rest at Lahor. He had recently passed through Amritsar where the cholera was raging with fearful power. On Sabbath evening he preached with great fervor. Next morning he did not feel well, but intended going to the college with his colleague, Rev. C. B. Newton; he was persuaded to remain quiet at his home. On Mr. Newton's return he found him suffering from extreme weakness, cholera in its worst forms soon manifested itself, and in spite of medical skill he died before two o'clock, P. M. That night he was buried. Mr. Henry was one of the hardest workers on the field, and though he had been in India less than six years, he was considered "one of the foremost men" of the mission. His loss is greatly deplored by all who knew him. He leaves a widow and six little children. Many at home will feel for these and the other stricken ones, and will remember them at a throne of grace.

Some of the native Christians at Lahor have been attacked with cholera, and a wife of a native teacher has died. Mr. C. B. Newton was also seized, but at last accounts he was recovering.

MISSIONARY TOURS.—Rev. E. N. Pires writes of an interesting tour he had made to Sorocaba and vicinity, where he found several families interested in the truth and circulating the Scriptures among relatives and friends. Rev. R. Lenington at the request of one living one hundred and twenty miles from Brotas, went to his village and found four families containing some twenty persons who had abjured Romanism. They were accustomed to meet together and read the Bible. The way is open for successful work among them if the worker could but be found.

NATIVE PASTORS.—The attention of missionaries and native churches is turning more to a regular pastorate. This is peculiarly so in the Furrukhabad Mission. Soon most of the churches in this mission will have native pastors, supported in whole or in part by themselves. Mynpurie and Furrakhabad have already initiated measures for this end, and their subscriptions, for their numbers and means, are very liberal.

SYSTEMATIC BENEFICENCE.—This is also engaging the attention of native Christians, and is in some degree acted upon in different places. Rev. J. F. Ullmann writes of the church at his station making a collection “every first day of the week,” and the election of a deacon to take charge of it.

A REQUEST.—Rev. S. Dodd of Hangechow wishes correspondents “not to put Hangechow on the outside of their letters at all,” as such are often sent to Hong Kong or Han-Kow, but to send letters to him or others at that station, to the care of Rev. J. M. W. Farnham, Shanghai, who will forward them.

LETTERS RECEIVED TO OCTOBER 14th.—From Little Traverse, Chippewa, September 30th; Omaha, September 7th; Creek, September 27th; Navajo, September 3d; San Francisco, October 2d; Bogota, August 14th; Rio de Janeiro, August 24th; Sao Paulo, September 3d; Brotas, August 5th; Japan, August 26th; Canton, August 16th; Ningpo, August 17th; Hangechow, August 13th; Shanghai, August 19th; Tunchow, August 9th; Peking, August 4th; Bangkok, July 15th; Allahabad, August 21st; Furrukhabad, August 6th; Mynpurie, August 20th; Sabathu, July 24th; Lahor, August 18th; Muree, August 30th.

Collections from November to May.

As most of the congregations make their annual collections for Foreign Missions from November 1st, onwards, we desire to lay before them the following statements.

1. Since the first of May, the Board has sent out to *China* one minister and his wife, and one minister has returned to that country; to *Japan*, a minister and his wife, besides a missionary physician returning; to *India*, two ministers and two female teachers, besides a minister and his wife returning; to *Brazil*, a minister and his wife returning, and a female teacher, accompanied by another female teacher to be engaged in the same work, though she is not connected with the Board. And in a few weeks three ministers and their wives, one or two female teachers, besides a minister and his wife returning, will be on their way to *China*. Thus the Board has gone forward as directed by the last General Assembly, sending out all the missionaries under appointment at the time of the Assembly's meeting.

2. Several applications for appointment as missionaries have been made to the Executive Committee since the meeting of the General Assembly, and urgent appeals have been received for more labourers in some of the missionary fields. An application is now under consideration for the forming of a new mission among some remnants of Indian Tribes in the Southwest, and there has been correspondence concerning a new mission among Indians in Arizona. The Committee, however, do not yet feel authorized to incur new expenses to any large extent, as will appear from—

3. The financial condition of the Board. The average expenditure per month is over \$27,000. The receipts of the first five months of the current year, to October 1st, have been \$54,207, from all sources. These receipts are about \$12,400 more than the sum received in the same months of last year; usually the receipts

of the Board in the summer months are light. As the expenses of the missions are now larger than in any former year, there is need of earnest effort on the part of the churches in the remaining months of the year to provide the funds that will be required to the first of May next.

4. The general state of the missions is such as to call for the thanksgiving of the people of God, and also for enlarged efforts in their support. The last Annual Report of the Board, which has been sent to all our ministers, will, of course, be consulted when they come to lay this cause before their congregations. We think it will abundantly show that the work is great and growing; and the intelligence given in the missionary periodicals each month since the Report was made is in the same line—encouraging, and pointing onward. There is need of earnestness, and faith, and prayer. The myriads of the heathen, now within easy reach of our evangelizing labours, are not standing still, but going forward to death, judgment, and eternity. And is not our blessed Lord still seeking their salvation by the labours of his people?

The Support of Missions.

To secure the zealous co-operation of all our Christian people is a thing greatly to be desired. The means now in use are scriptural and accord well with the distinctive features of our Church. The support of this cause is prompted by the grace of God in the hearts of his people. Their active piety in this respect is to be fostered mainly by the use of the ordinary means of grace, as enjoyed in our churches. This places the cultivation of the grace of praying, of giving, and of personal consecration to the work, chiefly in the hands of pastors and other office-bearers; to aid them in the fulfilment of this duty, and to aid parents in training their children to take an intelligent interest in the work of missions, the periodicals of the Board are sent free to ministers and Sabbath-schools. The superintending care of Church Sessions, Presbyteries, Synods and General Assemblies, forms an important feature of the means by which a missionary spirit may be promoted, and is capable of widely-extended and effective application. The watchful use of such providential or occasional opportunities as may be presented by the going forth or the return of missionaries, monthly concert and anniversary services, should not be omitted. Above all, the influences of the Holy Spirit should be sought without ceasing, to give efficacy to the means used. This is an outline view of the agency now employed for promoting the interests of this cause among the churches. These means have not been used in vain. For thirteen years only such means as these have been used, the plan of employing agents or secretaries for the collection of funds having been discontinued in 1854; and in these years as compared with the preceding period of thirteen years, there has certainly been a great increase of liberality to this cause—an increase all the more encouraging, inasmuch as the ratio of the increase of church members was much greater in the former than in the latter period. The Committee deplore the fact that so many of the churches are non-contributing, and so many of the members of the churches in which collections are made seem to regard them with little interest. If in this respect our missionary agencies, like the divinely appointed preaching of the gospel itself, fail to reach the hearts of far too many, it is a reason of deep regret, and a plea for greater humility before God, and greater earnestness in seeking the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on our Christian people, in the line of their greater devotedness to the work of missions.

The Committee desire to commend this cause to the hearts of all their Christian brethren, as one that should rest on their deepest religious principles and experi-

ence, and as one that is now calling for greatly enlarged efforts, to give the gospel to nations that are sitting in darkness and the shadow of death. If the piety of the Church respond to the call of Providence and of the Word and Spirit of God, then will missionaries be sent forth in large number, their work will be well sustained, and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, to make the gospel message effectual unto salvation, will soon cause Pentecostal seasons to be witnessed among these nations.—*Annual Report, 1868.*

Missionary Work at Mynpurie, India.

BY THE REV. J. M. ALEXANDER.

At our last annual meeting, held at Saharanpur, I was transferred from Allahabad to Mynpurie, to take the place of Rev. B. D. Wyckoff, who, on account of ill health, was obliged to go to America. I arrived here with my family about the middle of February, a few days before Mr. Wyckoff left on his return. At that time the weather was delightful, and we were able at once to enter with vigour upon our work. As much has been written about Mynpurie, I will not enter into particulars now, but will reserve these for a future letter. Our little church here is composed of less than twenty members. At our last communion, the first Sabbath in April, three were received into the church—all children of the catechists. We expect to hold our next communion one week from next Sunday; and hope at that time to receive into the church the wife and daughter of a native Christian policeman. They have been enquirers for some time, and twice presented themselves for examination, but we advised them to wait, as their examination was not entirely satisfactory. May God pour out his Spirit upon us, and may we find others inquiring the way to be saved. Since I came here we have had very good opportunities of preaching to the people. On three different occasions we have been permitted to preach to large crowds. The first was in April at a large "mela," held at the "Debi" (the name of a Hindu goddess). This place is almost two miles from the mission house. There we, with our assistants, preached to large crowds, and, as this was a mela to which many women go, this poor, benighted and oppressed class were permitted for the first time, perhaps, to hear the gospel. We always feel that where we can reach the women we are accomplishing something more than usual; for, except in the

small villages, it is only on such occasions as these that they are allowed to leave their houses, or indeed to be seen.

The second opportunity for preaching to large crowds was in the latter part of May and first half of June, when hundreds assembled at the "Opium Agency" here, for the purpose of making over to Government the opium they collected during the year. These people came from all parts of the Mynpurie, Etawah and Futtehgurh districts, and almost all from small and out-of-the-way villages. They are very simple-hearted, and appeared to hear the gospel gladly. It was indeed a pleasure and blessed privilege to point out to them the way to eternal life. They seemed interested in the simple truth, and we may hope that the seed sown will, in due time, spring up and bear fruit.

Just at present there is a large crowd near the Raja's residence, assembled for the celebration of his sister's wedding. The followers of these native Rajas are generally hard characters, and so we have found them in this case. We have attempted to preach to them, but have been fiercely opposed by the Brahmans and others. This morning I accompanied the catechists to this camp, but as soon as we commenced to speak of Christ, the Brahmans began to argue and ask questions, and even went so far as to say that we spoke falsely. But this opposition we must expect to meet with, and the deceitfulness of the people we must make up our minds to endure. In our intercourse with the natives of this country we are often forcibly struck with the deceitfulness of the human heart. We meet with persons every day who, from all outward appearances, are favourably disposed to missions and missionaries, and we could almost suppose they were ready to receive the Lord Jesus as their Saviour. Yet, if we could look into their hearts we would find them entirely at enmity with Christ and his cause.

These people in order to gain a little money will not scruple at any time to tell a falsehood. As an illustration of this, the other day when in the city I was accosted by an individual who inquired how long it would take him to get a good knowledge of English, and if I would teach him. I asked him if he could read and write his own language. He said he could, but fearing he was trying to deceive me, I told him to first gain a good knowledge of his own language, and then it would be time enough to study English. This man turned out to be a poor, ignorant, wandering fakir, having no knowledge at all, and his only object in asking me to teach him English was that he thought by so doing he would please me and I would give him some money. This I learned afterwards.

Often we have persons come to us as inquirers seeking the Saviour. We are rejoiced of course to see them. But very often this first visit is their last, as they learn that there is little probability that the mission will support them if they become Christians, so are content to remain in heathenism. As an illustration of this, I will mention the case of a young man who came to us about two months and a half ago, saying that having heard the gospel, he was desirous of hearing more of it as he was convinced of its truth, and after having received instruction he would be ready to be baptized. At this time the young man was engaged in teaching a village school, receiving his pay from Government, but he said if he became a Christian he would lose his place, as he received his pay according to the number of pupils he had in the school, and the Hindus would stop sending their children if he became a Christian. We were not able to tell him, that the mission could find work for him and support him if he became a Christian. So that is the last we have heard of him. God only knows how much he is convinced of the truth of Christianity. If he truly loves the Lord Jesus and desires to be his, he can surely have faith enough to believe that he will be provided for, although he knows not from whence it is to come. God grant that this young man may yet embrace Christ as his Saviour. Of course, we do not always have such cases. There are already many noble examples in the mission of those who made great sacrifices in a worldly sense, when they became followers of Christ, and they would not exchange their present situations

for the riches and position of a prince without the riches of God's grace. May we not hope that the day is not far distant when Hindustan will become leavened with the precious truths of the gospel, and these dry bones will be raised up to life.

I must not close without telling you about the girls' schools under Mrs. Alexander's care. These schools are in advance of all the girls' schools in this part of India, having been established in 1863. While they have priority of age they are certainly in advance of others in scholarship. There are seven schools besides the normal school. In these schools about two hundred are learning to read. Some have made very rapid progress, and the day is not far distant when many now learning to read will be ready to take charge of schools. The Zanana work is very encouraging here. Mrs. Alexander has visited the families of some rich natives and has been very kindly received. When she has the means and assistance, numbers of houses can be entered. God is thus opening up the way for the evangelization of India. We will reap if we faint not, for He is faithful who has promised.

Chow Yuen, China.

August 5th, 1869.

Chow Yuen lies in a fertile valley, fifty miles southwest of Tungchow. Like most cities of North China it has seen better days; now, however, it bears the marks of decay common to everything here. It is the capital city of the district, and its dingy old stone wall still affords protection to the people of the surrounding country, when bands of robbers come. It has frequently been visited by missionaries and native preachers, but it has never heretofore been made a regular preaching place. Last winter a young man from a neighboring district was converted, and partly of himself, and partly through the exhortations of others of the native Christians, he conceived the idea of establishing himself here as a preacher—not paid by the mission, but giving himself gratuitously to the work. His name is Meavu, a young man of fair education and good mind, and one who belongs to a class which may be fairly characterized as the Young America of this region. His acquaintances are extensive, and are generally of the most energetic and enterprising kind. It is true that he is

but young in Christian knowledge and experience, and has, besides, some defects that we could wish improved, yet if God has inspired him with zeal and faith to undertake such an enterprise, shall we with timid prudence discourage and restrain? Nay, let us rather encourage and assure him, leaving with God the progress and issue of the enterprise. We have far more cause to fear stolid and selfish indifference than extravagant enthusiasm.

Mrs. Matcer and I came out here two weeks ago to spend some time during the vacation in our school. We have had hosts of visitors all the time. Many of them professed to desire to hear the gospel, and a large number showed a very unusual degree of interest. I have made the acquaintance of nearly all Meavu's friends here. I find they all know more or less of the gospel, but none of them, I fear, have felt its power. They are willing to learn, however, and some of them are ready to commit themselves to Christianity in a remarkable way. Meavu came here a short time since, and went to work of his own accord and in his own way. He hoped in the first instance to raise the means here among those who are friendly to the gospel, to establish himself in all that he needed. Indeed, a number of them promised to support him; but, alas! he only imperfectly appreciated that they were the promises of those who, as yet, love not the Lord Jesus Christ. It is, however, a notable sign of progress that men in the circumstances which exist here in China should be found ready to invite the gospel to come in and to promise to support it, as also that the faith and enterprise of a Chinese Christian should stir up such things, and be ready to act on them. However the final result may disappoint the hopes of this youthful Christian, his faith and devotion are none the less worthy of admiration, putting to shame, as they do, many of those who have far higher privileges than he. He has, after no small trouble, succeeded in renting, temporarily, a part of an unoccupied pawnbroker shop for a chapel, and his friends have united and presented him with quite a fine signboard in gilt letters to hang in front of his chapel, and another for the back of the preacher's stand; on one is inscribed, "The Holy Sect of Christ," and on the other, "The good news of the heavenly doctrine."

To give the matter more publicity and tangibility he determined to do,

what every Chinaman does, when he begins any business, make a feast and invite his friends. Some eighteen or twenty were present, and after the entertainment a sort of meeting was held. I made a brief statement of what Christianity is, what this enterprise means, and what is Meavu's relation to the matter. I stated distinctly that the mission would pay for the chapel, but Meavu would work gratuitously, except so far as he might be assisted by voluntary contributions. They all subscribed to help the work, raising a sum not only covering the expenses of the entertainment, but leaving a considerable margin to go to Meavu's assistance. Two members of the church in Tung-chow were present, and in the evening after the feast we had a prayer-meeting. I gave the young evangelist some exhortation and advice, and we all commended him and his enterprise to God with earnest prayer.

A considerable feeling has existed for some months among the native Christians that the gospel, in order to permanent and wide spread success, must become self-sustaining, but this has been the first practical exponent of the idea. God grant that this young man's faith and zeal may not fail, and that many others may be found who will imitate his example! The vigorous development of this idea is the hope of the Church in China, and we cannot but regard this first step as a propitious omen of the future. Several others are already following, to some extent, in this young man's steps, and the blessing of God is with them. What wisdom we need to show these men the way, restraining their extravagancies on the one hand, and yet not damping their zeal on the other! I go home impressed more than ever with the thought that God can easily raise up men from among this people—call them and fill them with his Holy Spirit, who will most effectually and speedily fill the land with the sound of the gospel. For this let us pray.

C. W. M.

Waldensian Mission at Venice.

From the last "Annual Report of the work of Evangelization in Italy, presented to the Venerable Synod meeting at Torre Pellice, May 18th, 1869," we translate the following extract. The Report is filled with details of the missionary work of the Vaudois Evangelical Church, which is generally in a most encouraging condition.

At Venice the soil seems to be better prepared than at most places to receive the seed of the gospel. Our zealous labourer, Rev. Mr. Combe, concurs with a modern writer that the people of Venice are "gentle and more religiously inclined" than most others. He thus speaks of the work:—

"The meetings are usually numerous, especially on the Sabbath. We may estimate the number of persons attending with greater or less regularity at from 300 to 400. The actual number of communicants, after deducting a few who have died, or who have left Venice, or who have been excluded from the church, is 220. We have received this year, from the month of April 1868, to April 1869, 68 new members, chosen from three times as many catechumens. The children of evangelical parents are from 120 to 140. The schools contain 77 pupils. Our staff of teachers consists of four persons. Mr. Forneron, particularly, deserves our commendation; for to his indefatigable activity we owe the success of the school, the exercises of chanting, at the holidays or the receptions given to the scholars, to awaken their zeal for instruction, and the very useful lessons by the Society of Christian Union among young people. The Sunday-school counts 65 scholars.

"Since the dedication of our new place in the palace of Cavagnis, at the beginning of this year, the members of the church have begun to contribute regularly for our work. In the first three months of the year, we received in this way the sum of about 450 francs (nearly \$100), of which two-thirds, it ought to be said, came from the kindness of Protestant strangers who sometimes were present at our services. Our church provides by these collections for all the expenses of public worship and of the schools, excepting the salaries of the pastor and the teachers. We ought to mention moreover the existence of a fund for the relief of the poor, which receives each year some hundreds of francs.

"There exists amongst us a Society, which has the name of the Union of evangelical young persons of Venice. It is put in relation with societies of the same kind in Italy and abroad. Let us report in addition that some friends of the Mission in Venice have authorized us to found a superior institute for young girls.

"We enjoy concord and peace; worship is generally observed, whether it be in the families or in the church."

Candidates for the Ministry in France.

In two theological schools, one at Paris, the other at Geneva, a number of young men are preparing for the ministry in connection with evangelical churches. We translate the first paragraph that follows from the last Report of the Central Protestant Society of Evangelization, Paris, and the second from the last Report of the Evangelical Society of Geneva.

"In regard to the Preparatory School of Theology, out of six candidates who applied at the Sorbonne, five succeeded, four with flattering notice. Let us mention that our school has received from its origin one hundred and twenty-three pupils, seventy of whom are in the ministry, thirty are in the advanced studies, and twenty-three are in the course of study in the House.

"One cannot too highly estimate the services rendered to our Reformed Church by this Preparatory School of Theology. For want of pastors important churches remain vacant for years. Help us to procure them; send us young men ready to respond faithfully to the appeal of the Master; contribute to the material support of our school. Never was such an appeal more timely, or better justified by circumstances; already, blessed be God, it has been heard, and encouraging evidences lead us to hope that soon the progress of this institution will be assured."

In the Geneva School of Theology— "Instruction has been attended this year by a considerable number; omitting those who attended but a few months or weeks, the number of students was fifty-five, of whom twenty-eight were in the theological classes, sixteen in the preparatory, and eleven were candidates, or students on trial for commission. This is the largest number that has ever been in attendance. The average attendance has been increasing; from 1840 to 1860, it varied between thirty and forty; from 1860 to 1868, between forty and fifty; to-day, for the first time, it exceeds this limit. . . .

"We have reserved for this place the name of a young Spaniard, M. Carrasco, of Malaga." [This young man was an exile from his country for his religion. He was led to pursue his studies for some time at Geneva. Within the last year, he received ordination in Switzer-

land, and now he is preaching the gospel in Madrid, and making visits for the

same purpose to Valladolid, Malaga, and other places.]

DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS, IN SEPTEMBER, 1869.

SYNOD OF ALBANY.—*Pby of Albany*—Charlton Sab-sch 6; Carlisle ch 20, Sab-sch 3 = 23; Esperance ch 10. Sab-sch 5 = 15 \$44 00

SYNOD OF ALLEGHENY.—*Pby of Allegheny*—Muddy Creek ch 15. *Pby of Allegheny City*—Macaney Falls 15. Sab sch 4, for boys' sch. Chefoo, China = 19; Mt Pleasant Sab-sch, for boys' sch, Chefoo, China 3. *Pby of Erie*—Salem ch, to con Sam'l White *Life Member* 34; Cool Spring ch, to con Rev Sam'l Browman and William Jeffries *Life Members* 61; Fairfield ch 15; Park ch Sab-sch, for Shantung Mission 50 202 00

SYNOD OF BALTIMORE.—*Pby of Baltimore*—Ellicott's City Sab-sch 25; Churchville ch 50. *Pby of Carlisle*—Harrisburg ch 330 53; Upper Path Valley ch Sab-sch 47 50; Great Conewago ch 55 508 03

SYNOD OF BUFFALO.—*Pby of Buffalo City*—Westminster ch, mo con 7 78; Central ch 115. *Pby of Genesee River*—First ch Caledonia 54 30; Warsaw ch 48; Oakland ch 7. *Pby of Ogdensburg*—Henvelton ch 6 27 238 37

SYNOD OF CHICAGO.—*Pby of Bureau*—Benlah Sab-sch 8. *Pby of Chicago*—Oswego ch 5. *Pby of Schuyler*—Caribage Sab-sch 11. *Pby of Warren*—North Henderson Sab-sch 5 40; Spring Grove Sab-sch 2 31 40

SYNOD OF CINCINNATI.—*Pby of Cincinnati*—Seventh ch Cincinnati 11. *Pby of Sidney*—Zanesville ch 7 28 18 28

SYNOD OF ILLINOIS.—*Pby of Kaskaskia*—Pleasant Ridge Sab-sch 5; Newton ch 7. *Pby of Peoria*—Second ch Peoria, mo con 16. *Pby of Stanjamon*—Farmington ch 27 35; Sangamon Pres College 27; Rev Jos Platt 70 152 35

SYNOD OF INDIANA.—*Pby of Indianapolis*—First ch Franklin 20. *Pby of Vincennes*—Sullivan ch 7; 2d ch Vincennes Sab-sch, for Pekin 9 36 00

SYNOD OF IOWA.—*Pby of Cedar*—Summit Sab-sch 22 50

SYNOD OF KENTUCKY.—*Pby of Ebenezer*—Burlington ch, James M Preston 50 00

SYNOD OF MISSOURI.—*Pby of St Louis*—Fulton Ger ch. Ladies' Assoc 15. *Pby of Southwest Missouri*—Urbana ch 7 22 00

SYNOD OF NASHVILLE.—*Pby of Holston*—Greenville and Tusculum College Sab-sch 5 00

SYNOD OF NEW JERSEY.—*Pby of Burlington*—Cream Ridge Sab-sch 4. *Pby of Elizabethtown*—First ch Plainfield 45, Sab-sch, for Futtgehurh 30 = 75. *Pby of Luzerne*—Wilkesbarre ch Miss Sab-sch 10. *Pby of Monmouth*—Port Washington ch 14. *Pby of New Brunswick*—Dutch Neck ch 50; Cold Spring Sab-sch 5. *Pby of Newton*—Stillwater ch 30. *Pby of Passaic*—Wickliffe ch 10 72; 1st ch Morristown, L B Ward 200; 1st ch Rutherford Park, mo con 15 37. *Pby of Susquehanna*—Home ch 3 50; Terrytown ch 3; Barclay Sab-sch 7. *Pby of West Jersey*—Woodbury ch 57 10 484 69

SYNOD OF NEW YORK.—*Pby of Connecticut*—Rye ch, mo con 18 98. *Pby of Hudson*—Goshen ch 75 96; Monroe ch, mo con 2 43, Sab-sch, for Lehra sch 5 57 = 8. *Pby of Nassau*—First ch Brooklyn, mo coll 59 85; South Third St ch, Williamsburgh, mo con 39 42; Genevan ch, Brooklyn 29 70; Astoria ch, mo con 25; Jamaica ch 96 52, from Mrs A Denton, to con Anna E Hendrickson *Life Member* 30 = 126 52; Ross St ch 145 02. *Pby of New York*—Brick ch, mo con 47 93; Brick ch Chapel 3 03; Chelsea ch 13 54; Fortieth St ch 32 04. *Pby of New York 2d*—West Farms ch 18 60; Peekskill ch, mo con 68; Mt Washington ch 100. *Pby of North River*—Newton ch 17. *Pby of West Africa*—Clay Ashland Sab-sch, W Africa 4 50 833 09

SYNOD OF NORTHERN INDIANA.—*Pby of Crawfordville*—West Lebanon Sab-sch 5. *Pby of Fort Wayne*—La Grange ch Sab-sch 2 25; 1st ch Decatur 3; Bluffton Sab-sch 7 05. *Pby of Logansport*—Centre ch 5; Bethlehem Sab-sch 3 25 30

SYNOD OF OHIO.—*Pby of Marion*—Mt Gilead Sab-

sch for Tungehow 8 08; Whetstone Sab-sch 1 52. *Pby of Wooster*—Keene ch 21 60; Millersburg ch 25; Jackson Sab-sch 23 40; East Aurora Sab-sch 2 60 82 20

SYNOD OF PACIFIC.—*Pby of Oregon*—Engene City Sab-sch 20; N M Geary, Albany, Oregon 20 40 00

SYNOD OF PHILADELPHIA.—*Pby of Donegal*—Slateville ch 86; Chanceford ch 81 70. *Pby of Huntingdon*—Curwinstville ch 34 65; Two Individuals 35; Spruce Hill ch mo con 7 30; Benlah ch 12 25. *Pby of New Castle*—First ch Wilmington, Del. A Friend 10; Forks of Brandywine ch, Mi's Rachel Templeton 10. *Pby of Northumberland*—Lycoming ch, for Miss Thompson's exp 543. Sab-sch for sup of Dna Nath 46 = 583; Rohrsburg Fem Miss Socy 8 24; Margaret J Berlin's Missy Box 1 06; Hannah R Patterson's Missy Box 70 cents. *Pby of Philadelphia*—Seventh ch, special, from Miss C H, to assist in sending new Missionary 50. *Pby of Philadelphia Central*—Rev James Clark, D D 50. *Pby of Philadelphia 2d*—Chestnut Hill ch 140; Abington ch, mo coll 38 12; Falls of Schuylkill ch 11; Brainerd Sab-sch, Easton 50 78 1,212 80

SYNOD OF PITTSBURGH.—*Pby of Ohio*—Bethel ch 86; Long Island church 18 40; Bethany ch Male Miss Socy 57, Female Miss Socy 34 20 = 91 20; Central ch Sab-sch, Pittsburg 35 61. *Pby of Redstone*—Connellsville ch 130 80; West Newton ch 6; Rehoboth ch 2. *Pby of Saltsburg*—Saltsburg ch 157 10; Indiana ch, Col Thos Laughlin 20 527 11

SYNOD OF ST PAUL.—*Pby of St Paul*—Westminster ch, Minneapolis, mo con 5 85

SYNOD OF SANDUSKY.—*Pby of Findlay*—Van Wert Sab-sch 5 00

SYNOD OF SOUTHERN IOWA.—*Pby of Des Moines*—Knoxville 1st ch 19 25, Sab-sch 4 00 = 23 85. *Pby of Fairfield*—Ottumwa ch Sab-sch 15 38 85

SYNOD OF WHEELING.—*Pby of New Lisbon*—Yellow Creek ch 36 54, Sab-sch 10 25 = 46 79; 1st ch Sab-sch, New Lisbon 32 38. *Pby of Steubenville*—Minerva ch 10; Corinth ch 20. *Pby of St Clairsville*—Graysville ch 3; Nottingham ch 101; Rock Hill Sab-sch 10 23; Concord ch 77 90, Sab-sch 9 85 = 87 75; Bethel ch 17 21, Sab-sch 9 29 = 26 50. *Pby of Washington*—First ch Washington 17 65; 1st ch Wheeling 36 12; Claysville ch 5 95. *Pby of West Virginia*—Sugar Grove ch, Mrs E Shufer 2 309 37

SYNOD OF WISCONSIN.—*Pby of Milwaukee*—First ch Beloit 94 50

Total receipts from churches, \$3,078 67

LEGACIES.—Legacy of James McVicker, dec'd, of Derry ch Pa 90; Three years int on Legacy of David Koplin, of Newton Hamilton, Pa 36; Estate Jos Fleming, late 2d ch Mercer, Pa 89 215 00

Less exp M G Youce Legacy 66 67

\$148 33

MISCELLANEOUS.—State Line City Sab-sch, Ill 1; Int on fund left by Thos P Cope, dec'd, of Philadelphia, for Alex High sch 41; A Friend 100; Anon 1; Cash 25 cents; Gen'l G Loomis 3; J K W 5; L 5,000; Mrs B 3; M E Brown, Valparaiso, Ind 10; Laurel Hill Miss Sab-sch, L I, for Rev T S Wynkoop, India 30; A Friend, Newark 1; Mrs James Pollock, Philadelphia, to ed boy at Tungehow 45; N C Thompson, Rockford, Ill 100; J Robinson, Ill 1; C R Fisk, Ill 1 19; Socy of Inquiry, Oxford Female College, Ohio 45; Brookfield, Pa, Mrs N Leason 35; Rev C J Collins, Wilkesbarre 10; Charlie and Marion Ross' penny savings 1 5,435 44

Total Receipts in September, 1869, \$10,662 44
Total Receipts from May 1st, \$54,207 11

WM. RANKIN, Ja., Treasurer,
23 Centre Street, New York.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

PUBLISHING HOUSE, 821 CHESTNUT STREET, PHILADELPHIA.

Letters relating to donations of books and tracts, the appointment of Colporteurs, manuscripts and books offered for publication, and the general interests of the Board, to be addressed to the Rev. WILLIAM E. SCHENCK, D.D., Corresponding Secretary and Editor, No. 821 Chestnut street.

All communications, reports, remittances of money, donations, and orders for books, to be addressed to Mr. WINTHROP SARGENT, Superintendent of Colportage, Business Correspondent, and Treasurer.

Subscriptions to *The Record*, and the *Sabbath-School Visitor*, and payments for the same, to be addressed to Mr. PETER WALKER.

Bread Cast upon the Waters.

The Rev. Sheldon Jackson, writing from the "far West" to the Secretary of the Board, says:—

"The package of your little books and tracts, sent to Brother Hughes at Corinne, Utah, was very acceptable. I had passed station after station on the Pacific Railroad where the people were without any religious preaching or reading, and my heart was heavy for them. I was prepared then to appreciate the Board's tracts, which I found in Brother Hughes' tent. I took many of them with me on my trip to Helena, leaving some at each of the fifty stage stations on the route, where driver and horse abode under the same log roof, at once a protection from the storms and the savages. I felt that it was like 'bread cast upon the waters,' and continually prayed that fruit might result."

The Board has been sending considerable supplies of small volumes and tracts to a number of missionaries along and near the line of the Pacific Railroad, and will very soon send further supplies to any points where there is reason to believe that they will be judiciously used for the good of souls, and the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom. Are there not Christian friends who will send the Board contributions to aid it in bearing the expense of these distributions?

An Appeal from Sitka.

As our country expands, the demands upon the treasuries of our Boards are likewise increased. One of the deacons of the New York Avenue church, in Washington, D. C., is at present in Sitka, Alaska, being connected with the service of the United States Government. In a letter just received from him, he states that they have a Sunday-school of thirty-three children, fifteen Russian, and eighteen American, with eight teachers. He adds:—

"I wish we had some Sunday-school books here. They are much needed, and I believe that great good would be derived from them, as the only books we have are Bibles. If you can forward a donation of books, they will be most gratefully received."

The Board earnestly desires to send at once a suitable Sabbath-school

library, in response to this appeal. Is there not some Christian reader of the *Record*, who will send the Board the funds requisite for making this first donation to Alaska?

A Destitute Locality Supplied.

The Board recently sent at the request of a laborious missionary, a donation of Sabbath-school books to a Mission Sabbath-school in Wisconsin. The missionary acknowledges the receipt of the books in the following terms:—

“The books have been safely received. The locality in which the school has been organized is very destitute indeed. The young men often spend their Sabbaths in pitching quoits, the older people in visiting or in ordinary labour. For the most part they are destitute of any preaching worthy of the name.

“I am profoundly thankful that through the agency of the Board of Publication a wholesome literature is placed in the hands of the children. They regard their new library as a magnificent affair. When I told them I would try to get them some books, they expected to receive old books from some Sabbath-school. They were highly delighted when they found they were perfectly new. They had begun a Sabbath-school without any library whatever, and were trying to raise a little money to get some Sabbath-school papers. When I gave them the books, they determined at once to send for the Sabbath-school Visitor. Would that the Board were able to send its publications to all such destitute places. J. M. R.”

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

I. **Pomponia**; or, The Gospel in Cæsar's Household. By Mrs. Webb, author of “Alypius of Tagaste.” 16mo. Price, \$1.40.

This exceedingly interesting narrative describes the way in which the leaven of Christianity worked and spread among the people in the days of its early purity and power. The scene is laid partly in Britain, and partly in the city of Rome, while the Apostle Paul was still living. Many of the personages mentioned are historical; some of them are mentioned in Scripture. The author depicts in vivid colours the difficulties and the triumphs of early Christianity in the courts of Tiberius Cæsar and of Nero. The volume will be found both delightful and instructive to all its readers, young and old.

II. **Margaret Gordon**; or, Can I Forgive? By Mrs. S. A. Myers, author

of “Poor Nicholas,” “Gulf Stream,” “Railroad Boy,” &c., &c. 16mo. Price, \$1.25.

This good sized and attractive volume contains a narrative of the early life, the pleasures and trials, and especially the spiritual struggles and triumphs, of Margaret Gordon. The book is founded upon facts drawn carefully from personal experience, and is full of important suggestions and instructions in regard to the Christian life. The style is clear and full of vivacity. In our judgment it is one of the best books for the young, and especially for young ladies, that we have seen for a great while.

III. **Alypius of Tagaste**. By Mrs. Webb, author of “Pomponia.” 12mo. Price, \$1.25.

This volume opens with a scene at

Alexandria in Egypt, and gives a vivid picture of a terrible scene in the amphitheatre, where several Christians were devoured by wild beasts because of their Christian faith. It presents to the reader, in a well connected and most attractive narrative, views of the persecutions and the struggles of the Christians in an early age of the Church, and exhibits the power of Christian faith to triumph over all opposition. A charming book.

IV. The Manuscript Man. By the author of "Golden Hills." 12mo. Price, 85 cents.

This is a picture of life in the western part of Ireland. A few rays of gospel light are introduced by the agency of two or three pious persons into the midst of a community plunged into papal darkness, superstition and bigotry. Of course, according to our Lord's prediction, the entrance of the truth produced variance in households, and bitter opposition from the powers of error. Yet the truth gradually worked its way, and triumphed in many hearts and houses. It is an excellent book to circulate among Romanists, but will be found attractive to people of all sorts.

V. Rivers of Water in a Dry Place.

An account of the introduction of Christianity into South Africa, and of Mr. Moffat's missionary labours. 12mo. Price, \$1.00.

A delightful account of the missionary labours of Mr. Moffat and other Christian pioneers in Southern Africa, containing so many incidents of a highly instructive, and sometimes amusing character, with many hair breadth escapes from wild beasts and wilder men, presented in a most sprightly style, as to make it as fascinating as any book of adventures a child could desire.

VI. The Inspiration of the Scriptures. By the Rev. Francis L. Patton. 12mo. Price, 60 cents.

A lucid and most able argument for the plenary inspiration of the Scriptures. Its language is clear and precise, its chain of reasonings logical and cogent,

and its grand conclusion on behalf of the word of God is irresistible to any unprejudiced mind. The author has in this treatise rendered a good service to the Church. He wields a vigorous pen, and we hope we shall hear from him again.

VII. Seed Thoughts; or, Selections from Caryl's Exposition of Job. With an introduction by the Rev. J. E. Rockwell, D.D. 12mo. Price, 70 cents.

The work of Caryl, from which these "Seed Thoughts" are selected, is not very widely known at the present day, but it is as rich in gems of thought as any California mine is in veins of gold. Dr. Rockwell has made his selections with care and good judgment. It is a pleasant and profitable book to have near one, and to pick up now and then for a few minutes of disconnected reading.

The Board has also just issued the following excellent little volumes for the Sabbath-school Library.

VIII. Grace Harland; or, Christ's Path to Happiness. By the author of the "Little Watchman." 18mo. Price, 65 cents.

IX. Kardoo, the Hindoo Girl. A tale of missionary life in India. 18mo. Price, 60 cents.

X. The Straw Bonnet Maker; or, Ways of Usefulness. 18mo. Price, 60 cents.

XI. A Little More, and Other Stories. 18mo. Price, 60 cents.

XII. Love's Labour; or, The Seed and its Blossom. By Abby Eldredge, author of "Lucy Clifton," &c., &c. 18mo. Price, 60 cents.

XIII. Little Girls' Habits. By Zell. 18mo. Price, 30 cents.

XIV. Talks with Little Emily. By Zell. 18mo. Price, 30 cents.

XV. Martyrs and Sufferers for the Truth. By Wm. S. Plumer, D.D. 18mo. Price, 55 cents.

The following small works in the Portuguese language have also just been issued by the Board.

XVI. Catechismo de Doutrina Christa Para a Instrucao dos

- Meninos.** [Catechism for Young Children.] 12mo. Price, 6 cents.
- XVII. Palissy, O Artista Huguenote.** [Palissy the Potter.] 12mo. Price, 6 cents.
- XVIII. Onde Achou Elle Esta Lei?** [When Did He Find the Law?] 12mo. 4 pp.
- XIX. Razoes Por Que Um Menino Deve Amar a Jesus.** [The Little Child and Jesus.] 12mo. 4 pp.
- XX. As Almas Santas Bemditas Penando no Fogo do Purgatorio!!!** [Holy Souls in Purgatory.] 12mo. 4 pp.
- XXI. "Indigna."—"Jesus Christo."** ["Unworthy."—"Jesus Christ."] 12mo. 4 pp.
- XXII. Indo Para a Patria.** [Going Home.] 12mo. 4 pp.
- XXIII. Hypocritas.** [Hypocrites.] 12mo. 4 pp.
- XXIV. Somos Filhos de Deus, ou Nao vos Heide Deixar Orfaos.** Sermão Prégado no Rio de Janeiro. [We are Children of God.] Pelo Rev. A. G. Simonton. 12mo. 16 pp.
- XXV. O Tesouro Escondido.** A Pérola de Grande Preço, Sermão Prégado no Rio de Janeiro. [The Hid Treasure.] Pelo Rev. A. G. Simonton. 12mo. 20 pp.
- XXVI. A Paz.** O Legado de Christo. Sermão Prégado no Rio de Janeiro. [Peace]. Pelo Rev. A. G. Simonton. 12mo. 16 pp.
- XXVII. Os Impios Nao Tem Paz.** Sermão Prégado no Rio de Janeiro. [The Wicked Have no Peace.] Pelo Rev. A. G. Simonton. 12mo. 16 pp.
- XXVIII. A Vida Eterna; Em Que Consiste.** Sermão Prégado no Rio de Janeiro. [Eternal Life.] Pelo Rev. A. G. Simonton. 12mo. 20 pp.
- XXIX. Christo Crucificado.** [Christ Crucified.] Sermão Prégado no Rio de Janeiro. Pelo Rev. A. G. Simonton. 12mo. 24 pp.
- XXX. Os Sacramentos.** [The Sacraments.] Por A. G. Simonton, Ultimamente Pastor Evangelico, no Rio de Janeiro. 12mo. Price, 15 cents.
- XXXI.** The Board has printed a *new blank Form of Dismission*, for the use of churches sending communicants or members by baptism to other parts of the country, in accordance with the last General Assembly's answer to Overture No. 36, found on the Minutes of 1869, page 923. This form is commended to the notice of our ministers and churches. A sample copy will be sent without charge to any minister asking for it. Price, 30 cents per hundred.

DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE COLPORTAGE AND DISTRIBUTION FUNDS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN BOARD OF PUBLICATION, SINCE LAST ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —State St ch, Albany	\$127 00	<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Chili ch 5; Doddsville ch 2	05
<i>Pby of Benca</i> —Healdsburg ch Sab-sch	5 00		7 05
<i>Pby of Bureau</i> —Andover ch	5 00	<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —Buck Creek ch	20 00
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Lower Path Valley ch 9	50;	<i>Pby of S Minnesota</i> —Lake City ch	10 00
Burnt Cabins ch 5	14 50	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Buck Spring ch 10; Steubenville 2d ch 55; Island Creek ch 11	76 00
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Cummingsville ch 7; Cincinnati 7th ch 41	99	<i>Pby of St Louis</i> —Salem German ch	5 00
	48 99	<i>Pby of Susquehanna</i> —Warrenham ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Donegal</i> —Lancaster ch	32 64	<i>Pby of Transylvania</i> —Lebanon ch 25; Caldwell ch 6; Lancaster ch 17; Paint Lick ch 39; Richmond ch 15 50; Kirkville ch 7; Mt Pleasant ch 11 75; Harmony ch 16	137 25
<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Sharpsburg ch 13 95; Gilead ch 8 20; Carlisle ch 8 50; Mooresville ch 11; Sab-sch of Oakland ch 5	46 65	<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Waterford ch 36 45; do Sab-sch	12 19
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Liberty Corner ch 8; Plainfield 1st ch 15	23 00		48 64
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —First ch Mercer 26 30; 2d ch Mercer, legacy of Joseph Fleming 89	115 30	<i>Pby of West Lexington</i> —Nicholasville ch 10; Hopewell ch 2; Union ch 17; Mt Sterling ch 14 50; Hinkston ch 2	45 50
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Shelbyville ch	9 00	<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Juneau ch	3 00
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Round Grove ch	4 50	<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —Fredericksburg ch	52 00
<i>Pby of Madison</i> —Graham ch	3 30		
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Newark ch	4 00		
<i>Pby of New York</i> —First ch Jersey City	37 17		
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Hackettstown ch 57; do Sab-sch 28	85 00		
<i>Pby of Oxford</i> —Harmony ch 10 25; College Corner ch 9; Somerset ch 5 20	24 45		
<i>Pby of Passaic</i> —Children's Miss'y Soc'y of 1st ch Morristown	94 00		

MISCELLANEOUS.

J D Caldwell, Chatham, Iowa 3; Andrew Blair, Esq 35; W J Turley, Rolla, Mo 25 cts; Rev H Reeves 1 33; N—s, per Rev. Dr Grier, 1 25

\$10 83

\$1,127 77

WINTHROP SARGENT, Treasurer.

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Corresponding Secretary, Rev. H. R. WILSON, D.D.

Treasurer, DAVID KEITH, St. Louis, Mo.

DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION in part for AUGUST 1869.

(Continued from page 245.)

<i>Pby of Bureau</i> —Princeton ch 19 50; Oscoe ch 5;	
Genesee ch 5	\$29 50
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Mt Hope ch	11 00
<i>Pby of Cedar</i> —Marion ch 21; Fairview ch 15	
	36 00
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Park ch	41 00
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Ipava ch 22; Macomb ch 14 50;	
Chili ch 6; Wythe ch 4	46 50
<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Pleasant Ridge ch	10 00
<i>Pby of Fort Dodge</i> —First ch Fort Dodge	15 60
<i>Pby of Rochester City</i> —Third ch Rochester	
	33 51
<i>Pby of Des Moines</i> —Afton ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Miami</i> —First ch Springfield, of which	
26 56 special	51 56
<i>Pby of Genesee River</i> —Second ch Sparta 6; Oak-	
land ch 6	12 00
<i>Pby of Louisville</i> —Walnut St ch	17 50
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Mt Pleasant ch 53 28; New London	
ch 10; Middletown ch 10; Mt Pleasant German	
ch 4 80	78 08
<i>Pby of Passaic</i> —First ch Morristown 147 94; 2d	
ch Elizabeth 100; 1st ch Rutherford 14 91	
	262 85
<i>Pby of Sangamon</i> —Farmington ch 9 60; Virginia	
ch 12	21 60
<i>Pby of Warren</i> —Bushnell ch	5 30
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Deer Creek ch 5 70; Waynes-	
ville ch 6 45	12 15
<i>Pby of Madison</i> —Lexington ch 5; Pleasant	
Township ch 4 15; 1st ch Madison 29 44	
	38 59
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Sugar Creek ch 3 20;	
Perrysburg ch 2 50; Jefferson ch 4 45	10 15
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Brookfield ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Terre Haute ch	10 50
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Canton ch	6 20
<i>Pby of Dane</i> —Richland Centre ch 3 53; Fancy	
Creek ch 2; Richland City ch 1 88	7 41
<i>Pby of Winnebago</i> —Depere ch	4 25
<i>Pby of Buffalo City</i> —Calvary ch	86 00
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Second ch St Ann 3 50; Marengo	
ch 6 30; Linn and Hebron chs 4	13 80
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Second ch Princeton 35;	
Lawrence ch 93 50	128 50
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Mt Zion ch	15 00
<i>Pby of Susquehanna</i> —Towanda ch	65 14

<i>Pby of Donegal</i> —Columbia ch	168 00
<i>Pby of Kaskaskia</i> —Bayles ch 4 25; Elm Point ch,	
W N Donnell 5	9 25
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Hopkinton ch 5; Peosta ch	
3 50	8 50
<i>Pby of Upper Missouri</i> —Fillmore ch 5; Parkville	
ch 4	9 00
<i>Pby of Raritan</i> —First ch Lambertsville 33 09;	
Flemington ch 72 15	105 24
<i>Pby of Lafayette</i> —Warrensburg ch 14 60; 1st ch	
Lexington 13 40	28 00
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Delta ch	9 00
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Kingston ch	25 09
<i>Pby of Columbus</i> —Truro ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Westfield ch 153 42; 2d ch	
Rahway 25	178 42
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —First ch Indianapolis 30 53;	
Shelbyville ch 3	33 53
<i>Pby of Monmouth</i> —Shrewsbury ch	13 00
<i>Pby of Frankville</i> —Frankville ch 10 15; 1st ch	
Lansing 8	18 15
<i>Pby of Clarion</i> —Callensburg ch 7 76; Concord	
ch 5 84	13 60
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —McConnellsburg ch 5; Wells'	
Valley ch 5; New Bloomfield ch 5 56; Paxton	
ch 25	40 56
<i>Pby of Milwaukee</i> —North ch	40 00
<i>Pby of West Virginia</i> —Fairmount ch 6; Grafton	
ch 5	11 00
<i>Pby of Neosho</i> —Iola ch	11 00
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —First ch Huntington 42; 2d	
ch Huntington 18	60 00
<i>Pby of Philadelphia</i> —Seventh ch	27 72
<i>Pby of Luzerne</i> —Summit Hill ch, "P"	10 00

LEGACY.

Legacy of Margaret Latimer (with interest),
through James Bayard, Esq, executor
1,021 87

MISCELLANEOUS.

L C G of Winnebago-ch, Ill 7 40; Mrs J E De
Klyn 5; F R G 10; Annie 10; Proceeds of land
sold in Bates Co, Mo 322 50

Total for August \$5,313 48

DAVID KEITH, Treasurer,
St. Louis, Mo.

DONATIONS TO THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION in part for SEPTEMBER, 1869.

Total receipts for September \$2589 11.

<i>Pby of Miami</i> —Monroe ch 12; 1st and 2d chs	
Dayton 66 60	\$78 60
<i>Pby of S Minnesota</i> —Jackson ch 6; Lake City ch	
8	14 00
<i>Pby of Chippewa</i> —North Bend ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Northumberland</i> —Williamsport ch	75 00
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —First ch Glendale 95 17; Love-	
land ch 12 50; Pleasant Ridge ch 23 65; Cum-	
minsville ch 6	137 32
<i>Pby of White Water</i> —Union ch	11 90
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Acton ch 5; Boggstown ch	
5 75	10 75
<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Wellsburg ch 7; West Lib-	
erty ch 9 90; Upper Buffalo ch 48 50	65 40
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Hackettstown ch 35; do Sab-sch	
50	85 00
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Towanda ch 22; do Sab-sch	
3; Lincoln ch 10; Chenoa ch 5	40 00
<i>Pby of Vincennes</i> —Claiborne ch 15; Sullivan ch	
8 25; Carlisle ch 6 40	29 65
<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Still Fork ch 4; 2d ch Steu-	
benville 48; Island Creek ch 32; Two Ridges	

ch 47; Centre Unity ch 4; Bloomfield ch 13	
	148 00
<i>Pby of Albany</i> —New Scotland ch 27 35; Kings-	
boro' ch 20 95	48 30
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Bethlehem ch	34 00
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Scotch Grove ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —Birdseye ch	1 00
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Mt Sterling ch 8; Doddsville ch	
3 50	11 50
<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —West Unity ch	4 00
<i>Pby of West Lexington</i> —Second ch Lexington	
	277 99
<i>Pby of St Paul</i> —Central ch St Paul	45 75
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —Oxford ch	39 00
<i>Pby of New Lisbon</i> —Canfield ch	6 50
<i>Pby of Iowa</i> —Round Grove ch	16 35
<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —Wapakoneta ch 5; 1st ch Piqua	
13 50; Bellefontaine ch 17 40; do Sab-sch 5 72	
	41 62
<i>Pby of New Albany</i> —First ch Bloomington 15 90;	
Bedford ch 12 35	28 25
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Woodstock ch 10 50; 1st ch	
Aurora 6 50	17 00

(To be continued.)

FUND FOR DISABLED MINISTERS,

AND THE NEEDY WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED MINISTERS.

Rev. GEORGE HALE, D.D., *Secretary.*GEORGE H. VAN GELDER, Esq., *Treasurer.*

OFFICE, 320 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The following amounts have been received since the last report; viz:—

<i>Pby of Albany</i> —Dr Sprague's ch 73 75; Gloversville ch 72 60; W J Heacock, Gloversville 25; Johnstown ch, 31 41; Bethlehem ch 9 15; Kingsborough ch 21 40; Carlisle ch 8; Esperance ch 4	\$245 31
<i>Pby of Londonderry</i> —Londonderry ch 11 50; Newburyport 2d ch 17 50	29 00
<i>Pby of Mohawk</i> —Oswego 1st ch 106 28; Park Central ch 36 75	143 03
<i>Pby of Allegheny</i> —Westminster ch 9; Buffalo ch 7; Brady's Bend ch 13 54; Centre ch 19 50; Worthington ch 11; Glade Run ch 14; Scrub Grass ch 17; New Salem ch 15	106 04
<i>Pby of Troy</i> —Cambridge ch	24 46
<i>Pby of Allegheny City</i> —Manchester ch 40; Leetsdale ch 23 28; Sewickly ch 65	128 28
<i>Pby of Beaver</i> —Westfield ch 28; Clarksville ch 15 50; Neshannock ch 20; Pulaski ch 5; Mahonington ch 27 11; Hopewell ch 5 50 101 11	
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Fairfield ch 9; Mercer ch 27 60; Franklin ch 28	64 60
<i>Pby of Carlisle</i> —Hagerstown ch 17 27; Piney Creek ch 8 75; Shippensburg ch 42 23; Harrisburg 7th ch 20; Mercersburg ch 35; Emmitsburg ch 17 55; Lower Marsh Creek ch 17	157 80
<i>Pby of Genesee River</i> —Portageville ch 10 70; Genesee Central ch 24 69; Moscow ch 7 42 39	
<i>Pby of Ogdensburg</i> —Hammond ch	12 60
<i>Pby of Bureau</i> —Edgington ch 13 25; Genesee ch 11; Osco ch 6; Princeton 1st ch 27 48; Sab-sch of do 5	62 73
<i>Pby of Chicago</i> —Woodstock ch 10; Harvard ch 4 60; St Anne 2d ch 3 20; Linn and Hebron chs 5 10; Ottawa 1st ch 5	27 90
<i>Pby of Rock River</i> —Middle Creek ch 8 75; Sterling ch 73 40	82 15
<i>Pby of Schuyler</i> —Chili ch 7; Ebenezer ch 15; Ipava ch 27; Pittsfield ch 3 25; Mt Sterling ch 10; Carthage ch 20	82 25
<i>Pby of Warren</i> —Monmouth 1st ch 27 55; John Knox ch 16; North Henderson ch 31 25; Prairie City ch 6	80 80
<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Union ch 5 10; Washington ch 12; Greenfield 1st ch 15 70	32 80
<i>Pby of Cincinnati</i> —Lebanon ch	22 00
<i>Pby of Miami</i> —South Charleston ch	4 40
<i>Pby of Sidney</i> —West Liberty ch 4 25; Union City ch 12; Bellefontaine ch 13 47; Sab-sch of ch 7 23	36 95
<i>Pby of Bloomington</i> —Atalanta ch 7; Clinton ch 20; Union Grove ch 4 30; Farm Ridge ch 11; Towanda ch 18; Sab-sch of do 2	62 30
<i>Pby of Palestine</i> —Hebron ch	5 00
<i>Pby of Sangamon</i> —Virginia ch	13 00
<i>Pby of Kaskaskia</i> —Moro ch 3 50; Elm Point ch 10; Butler ch 16 75; Litchfield ch 10; Greenville ch 13	53 25
<i>Pby of Peoria</i> —Canton ch 8 70; French Grove ch 7; Peoria 2d ch 70	85 70
<i>Pby of Saline</i> —Richland ch 3 20; Hermon ch 1; Golconda ch 3	7 20
<i>Pby of Indianapolis</i> —Indianapolis 5th ch 5; Union ch 9 50; Hopewell 19 60	34 10
<i>Pby of Madison</i> —Hanover ch 11 45; Bethel ch 6 15; Donaldson ch 4; Pleasant Township ch 4 85	26 45
<i>Pby of Dubuque</i> —Epworth ch 4 50; Scotch Grove ch 8; Hopkinton ch 3; Peosta ch 5	20 50
<i>Pby of Cedar</i> —Mechanicsville ch 10 70; Hermon ch 7; Iowa City 1st ch 40; Cedar Rapids ch 8; Blue Grass ch 3 10; Fulton ch 4 90; Red Oak ch 7; Summit ch 15 45	96 15
<i>Pby of Vinton</i> —Vinton ch 10; Salem ch 10; Rock Creek ch 7	27 00
<i>Pby of Ebenezer</i> —Ashland ch	38 50
<i>Pby of Lafayette</i> —Knob Noster ch	5 65
<i>Pby of Palmyra</i> —St Francisville ch	3 30
<i>Pby of Potosi</i> —Ironton ch 5 50; Irondale ch 2 50	8 00
<i>Pby of Burlington</i> —Tuckerton ch 3 75; Bordentown ch 6 75; Allentown ch 22 27; Mount Holly ch 18	50 77
<i>Pby of Newton</i> —Mansfield 1st ch	25 00
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —New Providence ch 20; Plainfield 1st ch 16 40; Elizabethtown ch 10; Lamington ch 46	92 40
<i>Pby of Luzerne</i> —Wilkesbarre ch 105; Kingston ch 32 23; Sab-sch of ch 4 25	141 48
<i>Pby of New Brunswick</i> —Trenton 1st ch 150; Trenton 2d ch 47 40; Trenton 4th ch 71 50; Princeton 2d ch 46; Pennington ch 40 354 90	
<i>Pby of Passaic</i> —Springfield ch 35 53; Wickliffe ch 10 58; Rutherford ch 23 70	69 31
<i>Pby of Raritan</i> —Milford ch 19; Musconetcong ch 13	32 00
<i>Pby of Susquehanna</i> —Meshopen ch 4 50; Canton ch 13	17 50
<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Clayton ch 36 38; Salem ch 60 29	96 67
<i>Pby of Connecticut</i> —Red Mills ch 15; Hartford 1st ch 27; Rye ch 73 58	115 58
<i>Pby of Long Island</i> —Setauket ch 10; Huntington South ch 20 69	30 69
<i>Pby of Hudson</i> —Cochecton ch 10; Liberty ch 6 10; Hamptonburg ch 33 25; Jeffersonville and Youngsville chs 10	59 35
<i>Pby of New York</i> —New York 42d St ch 145 15; Nyack ch 20; Chelsea ch 12 60	148 55
<i>Pby of North River</i> —Kingston 1st ch 20; Rondout ch 40	60 00
<i>Pby of Crawfordsville</i> —Crawfordsville ch 12 25; Terre Haute ch 10 25; Lebanon ch 3 75 26 25	
<i>Pby of Fort Wayne</i> —Bluffton ch 4 30; New Lancaster ch 2 70; Albion ch 7	14 00
<i>Pby of Logansport</i> —Logansport 1st ch 21 50; Monticello ch 4; Lexington ch 10; Remington ch 5; Frankford ch 10; Indian Creek ch 3 20	53 70
<i>Pby of Muncie</i> —Selma ch 5; Hartford ch 2 35; Union ch 4 80	12 15
<i>Pby of Marion</i> —Bucyrus 1st ch 19; Mount Gilead ch 10; York ch 5	34 00
<i>Pby of Wooster</i> —West Salem ch 7 50; Congress ch 3 50; Nashville ch 14; East Hopewell ch 7; Millersburg ch 5 50	37 50
<i>Pby of Zanesville</i> —Duncan's Falls ch 8 50; Cambridge ch 12; Mount Zion ch 12 85	33 35
<i>Pby of Benicia</i> —Napa ch 15; Two Rocks ch 13 50	28 50
<i>Pby of Donegal</i> —Lancaster ch 33 66; Chancelord ch 35	68 66
<i>Pby of Huntingdon</i> —Shade Gap ch 6 75; Altoona 2d ch 22 30; Milesburg ch 18; Sinking Valley ch 23 66; Pine Grove ch 9; Birmingham ch 50; Spruce Creek ch 121 30; Lower Tuscarora ch 34 75; Moshannon and Snow Shoe chs 12 38	298 14
<i>Pby of New Castle</i> —New Castle ch, Mrs M B Couper 10; Miss Darragh 3; John Johns 10; Mrs Kennedy 5; Mrs Canon 2; Mrs Danforth 2; Mrs Black 1; Mrs Nevin 1; Miss Booth 5; James Truss 5; Mrs Janvier 5; Wm Couper 44; Mrs Spruance 5; Miss Spruance 3; Mrs Gray 5; Mrs Spotswood 5 = 111; Upper Octorara ch 25; Coatesville ch 26; Green Hill ch 20; Forks of Brandywine ch 28 05; Lower Brandywine ch 13 03	223 13

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY'S COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN.

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Think and Act.

Familiar facts often lose much of their power, in part, because they *are* familiar. All know that the freedmen of the South possess the elective franchise, that they are for the most part ignorant, and many of them vicious, while "intelligence and virtue" are declared to be the only basis upon which our free institutions can continue and prosper. Shall these millions with the power of the ballot-box in their hands, be left in ignorance and vice, to become the dupes of designing men, and a blot upon our body politic, only less dark than was slavery itself? There is but one preventative, the pure *gospel* with its church and school. These go hand in hand; and without them, "intelligence and virtue" may not be expected. Surely even if we should look no further than "the life that now is," here are weighty reasons why every Christian patriot should be deeply interested in, give liberally to, and pray earnestly for the educating and evangelizing of the freedmen of the South, the great work in which the General Assembly's Committee on Freedmen is engaged.

Late Items from the Field.

North Carolina.—A missionary visiting a vacant church writes, "The congregation was large and attentive. . . I was greatly refreshed and encouraged by all I saw. My confidence in the vitality of our Presbyterian churches was increased. If this church, so severely tried, had still such vitality, we need not fear when they are regularly attended to." A well-recommended coloured minister has just been commissioned to occupy this field of three churches. From another, "Bethpage congregation are building a house. I was surprised, a week ago, to find that the house was ready for the roof, the timber at the mill for the siding; and they expected to have the roof and siding on for our meeting there in three weeks. They have done it all themselves." He asks for this church "one hundred and twenty-five dollars, to pay for nails, glass, sash, &c. Having first *helped themselves*, they should get it. "We had a very pleasant communion at Rocky River yesterday. We received eleven on examination, six on certificate. Baptized four adults and a dozen children. I tried to keep the meetings from the other congregations. But the congregation would have filled the house probably three times. The house is quite too small at present for our ordinary congregation. From *Charlotte*, August 23d. "Just at this time there is a most powerful work of grace going on in our church. . . Last night there were fifty anxious inquirers. The country churches around are prospering in like manner." Charlotte church greatly needs a better building in a better locality, fifteen hundred dollars are necessary to secure it. Here Biddle Institute is located, and in the region round about we have over twenty-five coloured churches.

Virginia.—Russel Grove church. . . "Here is where we ought to have a high school in which teachers can be prepared. Whence and how can we get the money to do this needed work?" The Lord's *stewards* have it, brother.

The Dark Side.

This is best known to our missionaries. These see the cloud as well as the sunshine. One labouring in North Carolina writes as follows:—

"The people here are almost if not quite idolaters. *They refuse to listen to the reading of the Bible, and will not allow me to preach to them.* There is an old woman here who is leading these people astray. SHE ASSERTS THAT SHE HAS SEEN GOD AND THAT SHE IS SENT HERE TO SAVE SINNERS. *She forgives sins and saves the sinners.* Her way of getting the devil out of any one is, as she says, to 'press and cuss' him out.

"I was at their meeting last Sabbath and endeavoured to read and explain a portion of scripture to them, but they would not hear me. Of this sect there are seventy or eighty, all lead by this old woman, *whom they worship as a god.* They have turned a deaf ear to the word of God, and are travelling fast the road to perdition. I shall try again to show *them* the error of their ways, but there is little probability of my success. Truly, heathen and idolaters are to be found in North Carolina. There is a great work to be done in the South for Jesus. 'Pray for us.'"

Yes, *pray and work as well—*

"Shall we, whose souls are lighted
With wisdom from on high,
Shall we, to men benighted,
The lamp of life deny?"

DONATIONS TO THE COMMITTEE ON FREEDMEN IN SEPTEMBER, 1869.

<i>Pby of Atlantic</i> —Edisto Island coloured ch 5; St Andrews coloured ch 2; Wadmaw coloured ch 3; St Paul's coloured ch 4 60; Tarboro sch and ch 7 25	\$21 85	<i>Pby of Maumee</i> —Bryan ch	\$10 00
<i>Pby of Buffalo City</i> —Central ch, Buffalo	15 00	<i>Pby of Nassau</i> —South Third St ch, Williamsburg	21 02
<i>Pby of Catawba</i> —Franklinton coloured sch 3; Brookville coloured sch 2 50; Mocksville coloured ch and sch 2 88; Lexington coloured ch 10; Greensboro' coloured ch and sch 18; Mebansville coloured sch 12 25; Rocky River coloured sch 7 50; North Barus sch 7 50; Mt Tabor coloured sch 10; Mt Zion coloured sch 2 50; Statesville coloured ch and sch 10 25; Henderson coloured sch 6 75; Cameron coloured sch 14 50; New Centre coloured sch 1 50; Logan coloured sch 2 25; White Hall coloured sch 8; McClintock coloured sch 12 50; Bensalem coloured sch 17; Fancy Hill coloured sch 8 80; McDowell's coloured sch 8 25; Lloyd coloured sch 12 05; Colledge Hill coloured sch 1 25; Rock Hill coloured sch 9 75; Ledrick's Hill coloured sch 13; Miranda coloured sch 15; St Paul's coloured sch 12; Mt Olive's coloured sch 19; New Hope coloured sch 2	249 98	<i>Pby of New Lisbon</i> —Salem ch,	22 50
<i>Pby of Chillicothe</i> —Red Oak ch	27 50	<i>Pby of Ohio</i> —Fairview ch	2 00
<i>Pby of Connecticut</i> —Gilead ch	15 46	<i>Pby of New York</i> —First ch Jersey City	28 27
<i>Pby of Elizabethtown</i> —Westfield ch	38 25	<i>Pby of Paducah</i> —Coloured members of Prince- ton ch	7 00
<i>Pby of Erie</i> —Cool Spring ch 12; Salem ch 7	19 00	<i>Pby of Saltsburg</i> —Glade Run ch	35 00
<i>Pby of Genesee River</i> —Warsaw ch	20 00	<i>Pby of Susquehanna</i> —Terrytown ch	4 00
<i>Pby of Knox</i> —Union Point coloured sch 4; At- lanta coloured ch 10 90; Dalton coloured ch 2 50; Chattanooga coloured ch 3 35	20 75	<i>Pby of Steubenville</i> —Second ch Steubenville	33 00
		<i>Pby of Washington</i> —Claysville ch	25 80
		<i>Pby of West Jersey</i> —Woodstown ch	8 10
		Total amount rec'd from Churches	\$624 48
		MISCELLANEOUS.	
		Columbia, Tenn, coloured sch 45 80; Wm Dodds, Low Point, Ind 40; Jno Robinson, Wayne Co, Ill 1; A C, Pittsburgh 1; "A Friend," Louisville 2; Rev N H Downing 5; H A Barclay, Oswego, Ill 2; L P Phelps, Macomb, Ill 15; Mrs Noah L Wilson, Chillicothe 50; Henry Lord, Esq, Pitts- burgh, special 240; Mary D Couper, New Castle, Del 10	411 80
		Total receipts in September,	\$1,036 28

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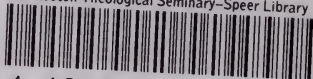
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